FILED 1 2012 JUL 19 PM 3: 46 2 CLERK U.S. DISTRICT COURT CENTRAL DIST. OF CALIF. IRIVERSIDE 3 4 5 6 7 8 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT CENTRAL DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA 9 10 Case No. EDCV 12-1093-UA (DUTYx) 11 JPMORGAN CHASE BANK, NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, 12 Plaintiff, ORDER RE: SUMMARY REMAND DUE TO IMPROPER REMOVAL 13 v. 14 CAESAR RODRIGUEZ, 15 Defendant. 16 17 On July 3, 2012, Caesar Rodriguez ("Defendant"), lodged a Notice Of Removal, a 18 Complaint for unlawful detainer and damages, and an application to proceed in forma 19 pauperis. Plaintiff has brought suit in a straight-forward unlawful detainer action in the 20 San Bernardino County Superior Court, Victorville Branch. The Court has denied the 21 aforementioned application under separate cover because this action was not properly 22 removed. As a result, the Court issues this Order to remand the action to state court. 23 Plaintiff could not have brought this action in federal court based on federal 24 question jurisdiction because the underlying matter is a straight-forward unlawful 25 detainer action. 28 U.S.C. §§ 1331, 1441(a). Further, assuming a claim of diversity 26

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jurisdiction was to be asserted as a basis for removal, the Court notes Plaintiff in the

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unlawful detainer action seeks damages which do not exceed the \$75,000 threshold, excluding interest and costs. 28 U.S.C. §§ 1332(a), 1441(b). Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED that (1) this matter be REMANDED to the Superior Court of California, San Bernardino County, Victorville Branch, 14455 Civic

Drive, Suite 100, Victorville, California 92392, for lack of subject matter jurisdiction pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1447(c); (2) that the Clerk send a certified copy of this Order to

the state court; and (3) that the Clerk serve copies of this Order on the parties.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

DATED: <u>July 17</u>, 2012

Chief United States District Judge

Presented by:

United States Magistrate Judge